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APPLICATION NUMBER	FILING/RECEIPT DATE	FIRST NAMED APPLICANT	ATTORNEY DOCKET NUMBER
10/032,383	12/21/2001	Paula Linker	1443.014US1

CONFIRMATION NO. 5427

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FORMALITIES LETTER



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Date Mailed: 02/13/2002

NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing
Applicant must submit \$ 370 to complete the basic filing fee for a small entity.
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$270.
 - \$270 for 30 total claims over 20.
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 705.**

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:

- drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

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01 FC:101	740.00	DP
02 FC:105	130.00	DP
03 FC:103	550.00	DP

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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Initial Patent Examination Division (703) 308-1202

PART 2 - COPY TO BE RETURNED WITH RESPONSE

FEE TRANSMITTAL

Application Number 10/032,383 *04-11-02*
Filing Date December 21, 2001
Confirmation No. 5427
Inventor(s) Tom K. Wentzel, et al.
Group Art Unit 3761
Attorney Docket Number KCC 4843 (KC# 15,400)



METHOD OF PAYMENT

- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the indicated fees to Deposit Account No. 19-1345.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 19-1345.
- Applicant claims small entity status.
2. Check Enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any under payment or credit any over payment to Deposit Account No. 19-1345.

FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE Subtotal (1) \$ 740.00
(Type: Utility)

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES Subtotal (2) \$ 558.00
Total Claims 51
Independent Claims 3
Multiple Dependent Claims _____

3. ADDITIONAL FEES Subtotal (3) \$ 130.00

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 Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet
 Extension for reply within _____ month
 Notice of Appeal
 Filing a Brief in Support of an appeal
 Request for ex parte Reexamination
 Petitions to the Commissioner
 Submission of Information Disclosure Statement
 Recording each patent assignment per property
 Request for Continued Examination
 Other: _____

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT \$ 1,428.00

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Application of Tom K. Wentzel, et al.
Serial No. 10/032,383
Filed December 21, 2001
Confirmation No. 5427
For DISPOSABLE ABSORBENT ARTICLE HAVING ONE PIECE MECHANICAL
FASTENING SYSTEM

April 10, 2002

**LETTER IN RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING
PARTS OF APPLICATION - FILING DATE GRANTED**

TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS,

SIR:

In response to the "Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted," dated February 13, 2002, enclosed is applicants' signed Declaration and Power of Attorney in the above-referenced application, a Letter to Patent and Trademark Office Under 37 CFR §1.48(f)(1) and an Application Data Sheet. A copy of the Notice is returned herewith.

Also enclosed is a check in payment of the filing fee and surcharge. Applicant notes that the Notice has referred to Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc. as a small entity, when in fact, it is a large entity. Applicant also notes that the number of claims in the application as filed was also incorrectly stated.

An assignment by the inventor(s) to Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc. is being mailed today.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attorney's Docket No. KCC 4843 (KC# 15,400)

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

REGULAR OR DESIGN APPLICATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

DISPOSABLE ABSORBENT ARTICLE HAVING ONE PIECE MECHANICAL FASTENING SYSTEM

the specification of which:

(check one)

- [] is attached hereto
[x] was filed on December 21, 2001 as Application Serial No.
10/032,383.
[] was described and claimed in PCT International Application No. _____, filed on _____ and as amended under PCT Article 19 on _____, if any.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF REVIEW OF PAPERS AND DUTY OF CANDOR

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations §1.56.

PRIORITY CLAIM

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 (a) - (d) or §365(b) of any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or §365(a) of any PCT application which designates at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Priority Claimed

(Number)	(Country)	(Day/Month/Year Filed)
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Priority Not Claimed

ANY FOREIGN APPLICATION(S), ON THE SAME SUBJECT MATTER WHICH HAS A FILING DATE EARLIER THAN THE EARLIEST APPLICATION FROM WHICH PRIORITY IS CLAIMED

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CLAIM FOR BENEFIT OF PROVISIONAL APPLICATION(S)

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

(Application Number)	(Filing Date)
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LETTER TO PATENT AND TRADEMARK UNDER 37 CFR §1.48(f)(1)

TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS,

SIR/MADAM:

The present application was filed on December 21, 2001 with an unexecuted Declaration and Power of Attorney identifying the applicants as Paul Linker and Dick Schmidt.

The executed Declaration and Power of Attorney enclosed with the LETTER IN RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION - FILING DATE GRANTED being filed simultaneously herewith correctly identifies the applicants as Tom K. Wentzel and Gay Lynn Wolf.

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.48(f)(1), applicants submit that the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney acts to correct the earlier identification of inventorship and that no further correction is required.

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